Application Number 09/848,483 Amendment dated July 2, 2004 Reply to Final Office Action of May 3, 2004

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated May 3, 2004. Applicant has canceled claims 46-51. Claims 1-45 are now pending.

In the final Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 1-45 would be allowed if a terminal disclaimer is filed to obviate the double patenting rejection of claims 1-45 over U.S. Patent 6,690,360.

Submitted herewith is the terminal disclaimer requested by the Examiner. Claims 1-45 are now in condition for allowance. Claims 46-51 have been canceled. No new issues have been presented in this amendment.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration, entry of the claim amendments canceling claims 46-51, entry of the terminal disclaimer filed herewith, and prompt allowance of all pending claims. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 50-1778. The Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney to discuss this application.

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